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Request for Proposals

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD) in conjunction with the DHH Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF), is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for qualified proposers to enter into a social services contract to provide Support Coordination Services for certain Waiver and Targeted populations. Included in these are New Opportunities, Children's Choice and Supports Waivers and the EPSDT Targeted Population. DHH defines support coordination as services provided to eligible participants to assist them in gaining access to the full range of needed services including medical, social, educational and other support services. Proposals will be accepted for and contracts awarded in the nine DHH Administrative regions or service areas as follows: New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Thibodaux, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Alexandria, Shreveport, Monroe and Mandeville. The RFP and pertinent library materials are available on the OCDD website at <http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=191>. Any questions regarding this RFP must be addressed in writing and mailed or faxed to: Jean Melanson, Program Manager, DHH OCDD Waiver Supports and Services, 446 N. 12th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, FAX: (225) 219-0201. All questions must be received by 3:00 P.M. CDT, May 5, 2006. Questions received after that date and time will not be responded to. All proposals must be received at the above address by 3:00 P.M. CDT, June 5, 2006. No Faxed or e-mailed proposals will be accepted. Proposals received after this time and date will not be eligible for consideration. This announcement does not commit DHH to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of proposals. DHH reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, all proposals submitted and/or to cancel this announcement. Any contract awarded shall be based upon the proposal most advantageous to the DHH, cost and other factors considered. All contracts are subject to the availability of funds. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS, BUREAU OF HEALTH SERVICES FINANCING, 1201 CAPITOL ACCESS, P. O. BOX 91030, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70821-9030, "AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER", Dr. Frederick P. Cerise, M.D., M.P.H., Secretary.